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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Attention is invited to the following disclosures which have been distinguished in the claims but may nevertheless be helpful to the office in its examination of this application:

U.S. 5,299,528	Blankenship	April 5, 1994
U.S. 6,250,023	Donoho	June 26, 2001
U.S. 5,974,998	Gregg, III	November 2, 1999
U.S. 4,359,844	Hoggard, et al.	November 23, 1982
U.S. 2,258,803	Peles	October 14, 1941
U.S. 5,606,830	Townsend, Jr., et al.	March 4, 1997
U.S. 5,092,088	Way	March 3, 1992

The references are listed on the attached form PTO-1449.

Blankenship discloses a raptor protection unit for installation on a power pole having a clamp system secure enough to hold a perch on the crossbar.

Donoho discloses a preventative device against nuisance from birds designed to prevent birds from landing on a surface by use of spikes.

Gregg, III discloses a device that prevents birds from landing atop a masthead of a boat

or wind indicating devices mounted on the masthead.

Hoggard, et al. discloses a device for installation in the crossbar of an electrical power

pole to prevent birds from landing on the crossbar.

Peles discloses a device applied to buildings to prevent birds from alighting and is simple

and inexpensive in construction.

Townsend, Jr., et al. discloses a collapsible anti-bird perching device that can be installed

by draping over railings, water pipes, wire cables or the like, either as a permanent or temporary

barrier.

Way discloses a device for deterring birds from roosting or nesting on building ledges

utilizing wires to obstruct the nesting or roosting activities.

There is no suggestion in any reference of a housing mounted parallel to cross arms of a

utility pole, sloped so that no debris can accumulate on the housing.

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